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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

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Al Haring, Project Manager  
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Dear Mr. Haring:

My staff has recently informed me of a conference call between your Agency, the EPA, and this Division regarding Sites 12 and 14 at NCBC.

Our response to your proposal is as follows:

1. The Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management's clean-up standard for polychlorinated biphenyls is one part per million (1 ppm). We do not concur with beginning the removal action and negotiating this matter at a later date.
2. Regarding sampling for potential carrier solvents and reducing the number of soil, chip, and wipe samples obtained; the protection of the environment and of human health and safety is our primary concern. Lack of adequate finances is an unacceptable reason for neglecting this concern.

I suggest that you do further research into the types of carrier solvents potentially used in the source transformers, if you wish to avoid further sampling cost.

If you choose to proceed with your proposed schedule, please inform me of your plans, in writing, to address these matters by the close of business today. In closing, this Division is dissatisfied with the amount of notice given prior to the initiation of sampling activities.

Sincerely,

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cc: C. Keating